which is not practicable always. Only the *Anubhavadar* should therefore be made responsible for the payment of Land Revenue on the portion of the land in his enjoyment.

Vide.—Reply to Subject No. 24.

SUBJECT No. 26.

Publication of a list of lands available for cultivation.

Messrs. L. Vemareddi, Malur, Municipality; H. Manjaiya, Channarayapatna Taluk and Tirumalagiri Gowda, Hassan District Board.

Mr. Vema Reddi.—A list of all such lands as are available for cultivation with full particulars of assessment, area, etc., may be caused to be prepared villagewar in each taluk and hung in a conspicuous place of the village *chavadi* so that the raiyats may know which lands are available. If facility is not afforded to intending applicants to know what lands are available, they will be put to a great difficulty in securing lands. The list may be revised annually. There are several *gomal* numbers which may be given over to the *raiyats* who are anxious to cultivate them. They may be included in the list. The list should also show the extent of *bagayet*, wet, and dry lands available for cultivation.

Dewan.—The Revenue Commissioner will be asked to send his proposals in the matter for the consideration of Government.

SUBJECT No. 27.

Speedy disposal of *darkhasts* for the grant of lands.

Mr. D. S. Hanumantha Rao, Devanhalli Taluk.

Mr. D. S. Hanumantha Rao.—*Darkhasts* for the grant of waste lands should be speedily disposed of to prevent loss resulting from delay. Applications of this kind have been pending disposal for the past five or six years. There is delay in the disposal of petitions also. The authorities do not even send an endorsement to the petitioners. When complaint is made to higher officers regarding delay, the petitions are sometimes returned for want of stamps and for production of endorsements. Necessary instructions should be issued that petitions should be disposed of within a fixed period and that all the petitions pending disposal should be attended to at once.

Revenue Commissioner.—The Government have issued rules and are trying their best to see that such petitions are attended to immediately. But there may be a few cases in which delay is inevitable for several reasons. Cases of inordinate delay may be brought to the notice of higher officers of Government who will take necessary action. Endorsement is not called for in all cases. When a case has been finally disposed of and an appeal is preferred, then endorsement should be produced. No stamp is also needed for such complaint petitions. Instances of the kind may be brought to notice.

SUBJECT No. 28.

Grant of lands at an upset price.

Messrs. P. R. Basavarajaiya and Dasappa, Channapatna Municipality.

Mr. P. R. Basavarajaiya.—Waste lands that have been lying fallow for the past many years are being granted to people as per *darkhast* rules, the lands being sold in public auction, and this results in hardship to an applicant inasmuch as he cannot always get the land

applied for, owing either to his poverty or factious spirit in the village. Such lands should be given out for cultivation to the applicant within a month from the date of application at an upset price, provided that the land is found to have been lying fallow without any application being received therefor during the three previous years.

Revenue Commissioner.—When lists are prepared to show what lands should be sold by public auction and what should he granted for upset price, I think, there will be no difficulty. (*Vide* Subject No. 26.)

Mr. D. S. Hanumantha Rao.—Amildars may be empowered to grant lands to poor people for upset price.

Revenue Commissioner.—If the Amildar begins to show some concession to any one, a number of anonymous petitions will be sent to the Head of the Department against him. It is not therefore desirable to give him such power to be exercised as a rule; but some lands may be given at upset price according to the rules.

SUBJECT No. 29.

Increasing the extent of *gomal* lands for cattle in villages.

Mr. K. T. Devasettappa, Doddballapur Taluk.

Mr. Devasettappa.—The extent of *gomal* lands may be increased so as to make it sufficient for the cattle of the respective villages.

Revenue Commissioner.—This is being done as far as possible under the existing rules and orders.

Dewan.—Wherever there is difficulty, such cases may be brought to notice. Necessary action will then be taken to afford the required facility.

Mr. Devasettappa.—Cattle mortality is daily increasing for want of a proper place for grazing; on account of this, raiyats do not even get proper manure. This is a small matter after all, but the difficulty experienced by the raiyats is great and some relief should be given to them.

Mr. T. Syed Khaja Peeran Sab.—We have selected some places in the Tarikere Taluk for grazing purposes and proposals have been sent to the Revenne Commissioner. But till now, no action has been taken.

Mr. Anjaneya Setty.—*Gomal* lands are included in State Forests, causing much inconvenience to cattle. For these *gomal* lands, the Forest Department levy some fees. We request that free grazing should be allowed.

Dewan.—State Forests are thrown open for the free grazing of cattle.

Mr. E. Krishnappa.—*Gomal* lands within municipal limits of towns should not be given out for cultivation. Statistics of cattle should be obtained and *gomal* land allotted accordingly.

Dewan.—Will be considered.